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MASSIVELY DISTRIBUTED DATABASE SYSTEM AND

ASSOCIATED METHOD

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir.

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of October 27, 2004, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 27, 2005, and extended by a three month extension to April 27, 2005 by the petition and fee filed herewith, please reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 51.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence (along with any item referred to as being enclosed herewith) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on April 27, 2005.

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